

Question	Response
<p>Will the football pitch be closed from the 1st July for a year? timing right before the summer holidays is not ideal, particularly when a great deal of the open space is still fenced off on the other side.</p>	<p>The football pitch will be closed from Monday 5th July 2021 to enable archaeology work to be completed, which is a planning requirement.</p> <p>Following feedback from local residents at the resident meeting on 30th June 2021, we will now be reopening part of the football area which will allow for more of the open space to be used by the local community in the summer holidays, and putting up temporary goalposts.</p>
<p>What is a MUGA?</p>	<p>This is a multi-use games area (fenced hard court area)</p>
<p>Will you cut all the trees to move play area</p>	<p>Some play equipment will have to be moved while construction is going on.</p>
<p>The temporary car park is larger/different layout than on the map?</p>	<p>As part of the planning and the agreement with Cambridge City Council we have had to provide the same amount of parking bays for the community centre as the existing park. To do this a temp overflow area has been created. When the new Centre is built and new car park is ready the overflow car park will be removed and incorporated back into the open space area.</p>
<p>Is the IT/Café facilities for public use?</p>	<p>The Meadows community centre IT is free. Printing is paid for. The Cafe is open to the public. This will remain the same in the new community centre.</p>
<p>Where are the alternatives to retail units while Buchan street is constructed?</p>	<p>We are aware that the shop and the café are very valuable to the local community, so we are looking at options to temporarily accommodate in the vicinity. We would look at what areas are available, once we find a safe spot, we will then come back to the owners and ask if they are interested in the temporary move. We have not been able</p>

	to identify the space yet, but are working with our property team on this and will then do the signage to let the community know.
Will Muga be free access?	It will be the same as the existing MUGA which has Free access.
I am concerned about parking overspill on surrounding streets. With the community centre parking off reach for St. Lawrence school run and any new residents and visitors, are there any precautions planned to prevent parked cars piling on verges of Daisy Close etc.?	There will be a traffic management plan to ensure any illegal parking will receive a penalty notice. Tenants in the new units will not have an automatic parking right and will have to apply for a permit. We will continue to monitor the situation.
Please can the grass verge in St Albans Road be redone. It's where they dug up for the for the little sub-station.	This is a County Council Highway land, however we are happy to come out on to the site if this relates to any works undertaken as part of the development, to have a look what can be done.
Quite a lot of the provision for younger people on the recreation ground has already gone - zipwire, large wooden climbing equipment that used to be near the rocks, rotating swing, the skate park, you mentioned the football pitch shutting too this week. It's been pointed out to me that this is going to be a long time coming - particularly given the reduction in space during the build and the communication from the developers warning that children shouldn't be playing on the building site, can any of the new equipment be provided earlier?	Some of the equipment had to be historically removed due to health and safety (e.g. skate ramp). In the ideal world everything would be built without any disruption and we are committed to keeping as much of the open space open as much as we can during the build. The focus has been on building the centre and houses first and keeping the existing play equipment operational even if it needs to be moved in the short term, and then replacing it with the new play equipment.

Buchan street Neighbourhood `centre is currently closed will it ever be opened again? As we have been told it will be opened as normal whilst new meadows will be building.

Due to COVID we had to close all of the centres, and we are still under significant restrictions as to what activities we can safely provide. Cambridge Sustainable Food (CSF) were working with the City Council to respond to an urgent food crisis that arose during lockdown. They were given temporary use of Cambridge Regional Colleges kitchens, but when the college re-opened we have offered them use of Buchan Street Neighbourhood Centre (BSNC) because we were not able to reopen the centre at this point for community activities. We are working to find a permanent base for CSF in anticipation we will be able to return eventually to unrestricted activity in both the Meadows and BSNC.

Pre-submitted Questions:

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<p>Traffic is already very congested on Arbury road/Kings Hedges Road, especially at school drop off and pick up time. Parents park often in the meadows car park which is now going to be restricted. This is going to add more pressure on residential areas including Ashvale estate and St Albans Road. I've seen parents parking in the bike lanes as well. It's dangerous especially on St Albans Road. What is being done to improve traffic with the new development and addition of more housing and added transport to a already heavily congested area?</p>	<p>The existing Meadows Centre car park is for use by the community centre only. Historically it has not been managed, and has been used by parents with children at St Laurence's for their school drop-off. This has often caused issues for the community and forced users of the centre to have to seek on street parking. We have continued to notify St Laurence's school about the impact of the school drop off, both on the community centre car park and the wider residential streets. The new car park will have a barrier and will be managed by the community centre to ensure use only by the community who want to use the centre. School drop-off parking remains an issue for St Laurence's school to manage and resolve with parents who arrive by car. The Meadows development will have 3 new car parks to deal with traffic it generates. There are 79 new car parking spaces being provided in total, with 9 being disabled spaces. There is also a requirement to provide a keep clear zone at the signalised junction of Arbury Road/St Catherines Road. A new cycle and pedestrian crossing is being provided on Arbury road. This is the entirety of the upgrades noted within the section 106 and Planning permission for the Meadows development.</p>
<p>I would like to know when construction work will start at Buchan Street and when the shop and cafe will close and for how long?</p>	<p>Construction at Buchan Street is targeted to start in Autumn 2022, with the decanting of the existing community centre and demolition of Buchan Street Centre and other buildings. The current target programme completion date is Summer 2024, but is subject to change The Council will be working with the leaseholders of the retail units to provide alternative arrangements during the construction.</p>

<p>Is there going to be a bus route that stops out side the Meadows? At the moment the bus does not stop out side the Meadows and this prevents older or less able people from using this Community Centre.</p>	<p>This is something that the Council will be looking into with Cambridgeshire County Council as Highway Authority and public transport administrator.</p>
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